Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 27 Apr 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 28 Apr 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 27 Apr 2021 at 01:45 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for the change to a cold northeasterly airstream for the week, lower confidence for the amount of showers on any given day likely to affect the Northwest Highlands.

Headline for Tuesday 27 Apr 2021: Showers turning increasingly wintery, fresh northeasterly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 27 Apr 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Sleet	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
40%	40%	40%	60%	60%	30%

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Weather: Showers will continue on and off throughout the day and turn increasingly wintry during the day with some accumulations of snow likely on the Fannichs. The most showers will be on the more frequent for north and easterly hills with more western ranges and the Cuillins seeing a little shelter and a few less showers.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40%, perhaps higher further west where there will be less showers.

Visibility: Visbility will be very poor at times with wintery showers and broken cloud from 500m in heavier showers, in the west there will be more cloud breaks and perhaps a higher cloud base, perhaps scattered cloud from 700m upwards. As showers turn increasingly to snow at higher levels the visibility may reduce to less than a kilometre in the late afternoon in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	31/37 NE	31/41 NE	29/40 NE	26/36 NE	24/33 NE	23/30 NE	18/24 NE
900	28/34 NE	29/39 NE	28/39 NE	25/36 NE	24/32 NE	22/29 NE	16/22 NE
600	20/26 NE	23/33 NE	24/34 NE	22/32 NE	19/28 NE	14/21 NE	10/16 NE
300	6/27 NE	9/31 NE	11/34 NE	10/31 NE	8/26 NE	5/21 NE	4/17 NE
Glen	14/27 NE	15/30 NE	16/33 NE	18/34 NE	12/25 NE	9/21 NE	7/16 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	0/-8	-0/-8	-0/-8	0/-7	-0/-8	-2/-9	-2/-8
900	1/-6	0/-7	1/-7	1/-6	0/-6	-1/-8	-1/-7
600	3/-3	3/-3	3/-3	4/-2	3/-2	2/-3	1/-3
300	5/3	6/3	7/4	7/4	6/4	4/2	3/2
Glen	8/4	9/6	10/7	11/7	9/7	7/4	6/3
Freezing Level*	1000m	1000m	1000m	1000m	900m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A return to hazardous winter conditions by late afternoon with temporary blizzards possible in heavier showers on higher summits and strong northeasterly winds, gales at times. A severe wind chill is expected during the day.

Forecast for Wednesday 28 Apr 2021

Weather: The cold northeasterly airstream will continue with showers likely to be wintery. More frequent showers will be likely on the more exposed north facing hills and eastern ranges. Some brighter interludes between showers and possibly some sunnier spells further west around Knoydart and Torridon.

Maximum wind: Northeasterly 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, more chance further west and perhaps less chance further north east.

Visibility: Cloud bases will generally be above the summits but will lower to 6-700m in wintery showers at times with visibility becoming moderate or poor temporarily.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 rising to 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 5-700m

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